Grissom, of Longview, Texas; Harry T. Ice, of Indianapolis, Indiana; J. C. Judge, of Mineola, Texas; George Kuhn, of Indianapolis, Indiana; Charles J. Lynn, of Indianapolis, Indiana; Eugene S. Pulliam, of Indianapolis, Indiana; C. B. Roberts, of Dallas, Texas; William L. Schloss, of Indianapolis, Indiana; Ben H. Wooten, of Dallas, Texas; and Joseph Zeppa, of Tyler, Texas; and their associates and successors are created a body corporate by the name of Board for Fundamental Education (hereinafter referred to as the "corporation") and by such name shall be known and have perpetual succession and the powers and limitations contained in this chapter.

(July 19, 1954, ch. 536, §1, 68 Stat. 489.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 502 of this title.

# § 502. Completion of organization

A majority of the persons named in section 501 of this title, or their successors, are hereby authorized to meet to complete the organization of the corporation by the adoption of a constitution and bylaws, the election of officers, and by doing all things necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this chapter.

(July 19, 1954, ch. 536, §2, 68 Stat. 490.)

#### § 503. Objects and purposes of corporation

The objects and purposes of the corporation shall be to foster the development of fundamental education through programs and projects such as—

- (1) giving citizens (children, youth, and adults) opportunity to acquire the understandings and skills necessary to relate the resources of the community to the needs and interests of the community.
- (2) demonstrating programs of fundamental education and measuring results.
- (3) training men and women as leaders in fundamental education by providing internships and other experiences.

(July 19, 1954, ch. 536, §3, 68 Stat. 490.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 504, 515 of this title.

### § 504. Powers of corporation

The corporation shall have power—

- (1) to sue and be sued, complain and defend in any court of competent jurisdiction;
  - (2) to adopt, use, and alter a corporate seal;
- (3) to choose such officers, managers, agents, and employees as the business of the corporation may require:
- (4) to adopt and alter a constitution and bylaws, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or any State in which such corporation is to operate, for the management of its property and the regulation of its affairs;
  - (5) to contract and be contracted with;
- (6) to take and hold by lease, gift, purchase, grant, devise, or bequest any property, real or personal, necessary for attaining the objects of accomplishing the purposes of the corpora-

tion, subject to applicable provisions of law of any State (A) governing the amount or kind of real and personal property which may be held by, or (B) otherwise limiting or controlling the ownership of real and personal property by, a corporation operating in such State:

- (7) to transfer and convey real or personal property;
- (8) to borrow money for the purposes of the corporation, issue bonds therefor, and secure the same by mortgage, subject to all applicable provisions of Federal or State law:
- (9) to use the corporate funds to give prizes, awards, loans, scholarships and grants to deserving students for the purposes set forth in section 503 of this title;
- (10) to publish a magazine and other publications; and
- (11) to do any and all acts and things necessary and proper to carry out the objects and purposes of the corporation.

(July 19, 1954, ch. 536, §4, 68 Stat. 490.)

# § 505. Principal office; territorial scope of activities; agent for service of process

The activities of the corporation may be conducted throughout the various States, Territories, and possessions of the United States. The corporation shall maintain at all times in the District of Columbia a designated agent authorized to accept service of process for the corporation, such designation to be filed in the office of the clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Notice to or service upon such agent, or mailed to the business address of such agent, shall be deemed sufficient notice or service upon the corporation. The principal office of the corporation shall be established at such place as the board of directors deems appropriate.

(July 19, 1954, ch. 536, §5, 68 Stat. 490.)

# § 506. Membership; voting rights

Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members shall, except as provided in this chapter, be determined according to the constitution and bylaws of the corporation. In the conduct of the official business of the corporation each member shall have one vote.

(July 19, 1954, ch. 536, §6, 68 Stat. 491.)

# § 507. Board of directors

The corporation shall be governed by a board of directors composed of not less than fifteen members of the corporation who shall be elected annually to serve on such board by the members of the corporation.

(July 19, 1954, ch. 536, §7, 68 Stat. 491.)

### § 508. Officers

The officers of the corporation shall consist of a chairman of the board, a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and such assistant officers as the board of directors shall designate. The officers shall perform such duties and have such powers as the bylaws and the board of directors may from time to time prescribe.